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TO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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TAGS: ATRN (NOEL, CLEO A., JR.)

SUBJECT: AIRFREIGHT AMBASSADOR CLEO A. NOEL, JR.(DECEASED)

REF: KHARTOUM 883

1. DEPARTMENT CONCERNED WITH CONFLICTING INFORMATION AND APPARENT MISHANDLING AIRFREIGHT SHIPMENT OF AMBASSADOR NOEL (DECEASED) AND WISHES TO ALERT POST TO PROBLEMS OBSERVED IN WASHINGTON CONNECTED THIS MATTER.

2. POST NOTED IN REFTTEL THAT AIRFREIGHT SHIPMENT WAS FORWARDED BEIRUT ON APRIL 20 FOR TRANSSHIPMENT ON APRIL 21 VIA TRANS- MEDITERRANEAN AIRLINES (TMA) FLIGHT TL NO. 308. SUBSEQUENT RECEIPT OF SUDAN AIRWAYS' AWB 200-117310 INDICATED THAT SHIPMENT WAS ROUTED TO LONDON VIA SUDAN AIRWAYS WITH TRANSSHIPMENT THERE TO DULLES BY PA NO. 107. WITH ABOVE INFORMATION DEPARTMENT WAS UNABLE TO TRACE SHIPMENT SINCE TMA ROUTED SHIPMENT VIA FRANKFURT WITH PORT OF ENTRY AT JFK NEW YORK ON APRIL 25. AT PRESENT 12 OF 13 PIECES HAVE BEEN LOCATED JFK WITH LATEST REPORT THAT 13 TH PIECE POSSIBLY CHICAGO, DALLAS, OR UNKNOWN. WOULD APPRECIATE TMA AGENT OR UNCLASSIFIED

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SUDAN AIRWAYS BEING FULLY APPRISED THIS SITUATION FOR
GUIDANCE RE HANDLING ANY FUTURE USG SHIPMENTS.

3. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUGGESTIONS POST MAY
HAVE ON HOW SHIPMENTS MIGHT BETTER BE HANDLED. FOR
EXAMPLE, WAS THERE ANYTHING WE MIGHT HAVE DONE TO
INITIATE EARLIER SHIPMENT OF FREIGHT FROM KHARTOUM
WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WAS READY WHEN MRS. NOEL DEPARTED.
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